# Sunday 15 January 2023 Epiphany 2 Killaney and Carryduff

# Opening Hymn 80 - Great is thy faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not,
as thou hast been, thou for ever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness,
morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

# Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all **and also with you**

O Lord, open our lips
**and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**Let us worship the Lord.
**All praise to his name.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
**Blessed be God for ever.**

# Penitence - saying sorry

**O God, our loving Father in heaven,
we confess that we have sinned against you;
we have broken your commandments;
we have often been selfish,
and we have not loved you as we should.
For these and all our sins, forgive us, we pray:
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

# Forgiveness - a reminder of God’s gift

# Approaching God’s word

Your word is a lantern to my feet
**and a light upon our path.**

O Lord, your word is everlasting:
**it stands firm for ever in the heavens.**Let us then receive the word of the Lord.
**So may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.**

# Isaiah 49:1–7 - page 735 seated

Listen to me, you islands;
hear this, you distant nations:
before I was born the Lord called me;
from my mother’s womb he has spoken my name.
He made my mouth like a sharpened sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me into a polished arrow
and concealed me in his quiver.
He said to me, ‘You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will display my splendour.’
But I said, ‘I have laboured in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing at all.
Yet what is due to me is in the Lord’s hand,
and my reward is with my God.’
And now the Lord says –
he who formed me in the womb to be his servant
to bring Jacob back to him
and gather Israel to himself,
for I am honoured in the eyes of the Lord
and my God has been my strength –
he says:
‘It is too small a thing for you to be my servant
to restore the tribes of Jacob
and bring back those of Israel I have kept.
**I will also make you a light for the Gentiles,
that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.**’

This is what the Lord says –
the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel –
to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation,
to the servant of rulers:
‘Kings will see you and stand up,
princes will see and bow down,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.’

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

# Children’s Spot - Stuck in the mud

# Psalm 40: selected verses - standing

I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry.
**He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire;**

He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.
**He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him.**

Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
**who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.**

Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done,
**the things you planned for us.**

Do not withhold your mercy from me, Lord;
**may your love and faithfulness always protect me.**

For troubles without number surround me;
**my sins have overtaken me, and I cannot see.**

They are more than the hairs of my head,
**and my heart fails within me.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;•
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.**

# Sunday Club Begins

# 1 Corinthians 1:1–9 - page 1144 seated

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ – their Lord and ours:
Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. For in him you have been enriched in every way – with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge – God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

# Before the throne of God above - T & P 11

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, a perfect plea:
a great high priest, whose name is Love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is written on his hands,
My name is hidden on his heart;
I know that while in heaven He stands
no power can force me to depart,
no power can force me to depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look, and see him there
who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died,
my sinful soul is counted free;
for God, the just, is satisfied
to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb
my perfect, sinless righteousness,
the great unchangeable I AM,
the King of glory and of grace!
One with my Lord I cannot die:
my soul is purchased by His blood,
my life is safe with Christ on high,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God.

# Corinth in Crisis - 1 Corinthians 1:1–9 page 1144

A clash of cultures, A city of contrasts, A community in crisis.

# Safe in the Shadow - Offertory Hymn 595

Safe in the shadow of the Lord
beneath his hand and power,
I trust in him, I trust in him,
my fortress and my tower.

My hope is set on God alone
though Satan spreads his snare;
I trust in him, I trust in him,
to keep me in his care.

From fears and phantoms of the night,
from foes about my way,
I trust in him, I trust in him,
by darkness as by day.

His holy angels keep my feet
secure from every stone;
I trust in him, I trust in him,
and unafraid go on.

Strong in the everlasting Name,
and in my Father’s care,
I trust in him, I trust in him,
who hears and answers prayer.

Safe in the shadow of the Lord,
possessed by love divine,
I trust in him, I trust in him,
and meet his love with mine.

# Declaring Faith - affirming our belief

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?
**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind?
**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God? **I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.
**This is our faith.
We believe and trust in One God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

# Praying Together - Intercessions

# Sunday Collect - Epiphany 2

# The Lord’s Prayer - we pray with Jesus

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

# Announcements

# Closing Prayers

**Be with us Lord, as we go out into the world.
May the lips that have sung your praise always speak the truth;
may the ears which have heard your Word listen only to what is good
and may our lives, as well as our worship, be always pleasing in your sight, for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# The Blessing - and Dismissal

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

# Christ is our corner stone - Hymn 327

Christ is our corner-stone,
on him alone we build;
with his true saints alone
the courts of heaven are filled:
on his great love our hopes we place
of present grace and joys above.

O then with hymns of praise
these hallowed courts shall ring;
our voices we will raise
the Three-in-One to sing,
and thus proclaim in joyful song,
both loud and long that glorious name.

Here, gracious God, come now
and evermore draw near;
accept each faithful vow
and mark each earnest prayer;
in copious shower on all who pray
each holy day thy blessings pour.

Here may we gain from heaven
the grace which we implore;
and may that grace, once given,
be with us evermore,
until that day when all the blessed
to endless rest are called away.

# Notices

**Select Vestry** at Carryduff 16 January at 7:30 pm in Quin Room

**Midweek Service** at Carryduff for all on Wednesday 18th at 10:00 am followed by refreshments.

**Thursday Morning Friendship** at Killaney Hall 10:00 to 11:00

**Next Sunday Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

 8:30 Early Communion

 10:00 Celebrate at Ten in Carryduff

 12:00 All age worship & Sunday Club in Killaney *and
 refreshments*

**Wednesday 25th January**

**Celebrating Christian Unity** 7:30 pm in St. Ignatius', Carryduff

With participants from members of churches on the Saintfield Road